

Weekly Note – Monday 16th November 2020



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Date	Event	Year Group	Time (if relevant)
Monday 16 th November	Anti-Bullying Week-lots of activities planned for the children. ODD SOCKS DAY	Everyone to wear odd coloured socks (even over tights). It's a great way to celebrate what makes us all unique in Anti-Bullying Week!	
Tuesday 17 th November	Woodwind Music Tuition (some tuition fees still outstanding)	Bring instruments please	
Wednesday 18 th November	Spanish Lessons Junior Harp Lessons	Yr 4-7 £2 to cover the month of November please Harpers 2-2.30pm	
Thursday 19 th November			
Friday 20 th November	PE DAY: Simple plain outfits!!! Strings Music Tuition (tuition fees now due) Senior Harp Lessons	ALL CHILDREN Bring instruments please 2-2.30pm	

PTA Fundraiser

Your children will have received their smarties packets with their name labelled on the side. It is fantastic to see so many children already bringing theirs filled with 20p pieces in to Rachel already. This is a really simple and fun fundraiser which your child can take part in. Remember ALL smarties packets are to be left in by **FRIDAY 27th November**. We will draw out 5 lucky winners that day!



Split the Pot

Next draw takes place, Friday 13th November, envelopes will go home on Monday. If you're not in you can't win! Half to the winner, half to school funds for vital school resources which will aid YOUR child's learning!!
Make sure your envelopes get to Rachel first thing tomorrow morning!



St. John's SVP

In these current circumstances due to COVID-19, St. John's SVP can be contacted on our confidential helpline number: 07752017340. If you or someone you know in our area is struggling, please contact us. All our help is given on a strictly confidential basis.

SeeSaw- We are generally very pleased with how Seesaw is working as a means of communication between school and home. However, we would like to see ALL children take part in the digital homework each Thursday evening-this is not optional. We expect this homework completed like any other homework. This is crucial as we head into a very uncertain period of time. If any parents are struggling with these apps, please let me know.



After Schools Club

2pm-5pm daily

Please book and pre-pay for this service on a weekly basis. Paying in arrears is not an option.

£2 per hour in a clearly labelled envelope

We can all be delayed for one reason or another. If you are going to be late please ring the school so arrangements can be made. Thank you.

Spanish Lessons Y4 – Y7

Our Spanish lessons with Christina on Wednesdays are up and running. It was lovely to hear the children's voices calling out in Spanish throughout the 4 classrooms. This is a wonderful opportunity for your child/ren to gain confidence in a new language. 50p a lesson is a snip! It is really important that every child in Yr4-7 pays for this experience. It would be a real shame if we could no longer continue with this due to lack of funds.



November's £2 NOW DUE please.

VOLUNTARY CONTRIBUTION

Many thanks to those of you who paid their voluntary contribution to school last year. These are indeed challenging financial times for all schools and the contribution you make means we can buy additional resources for our children to use. Please send your contribution in a marked envelope with your child next week.

We ask for a donation of £5.00 per pupil.

Thank you!

FLU VACCINATIONS Tuesday 24th November

You should have received a consent form for the administration of the Flu Vaccination and it is great to see so many have been returned. The Chief Medical Officer has asked all schools to encourage all pupils and adults in school to get the flu vaccination this year. The vaccination will not give immunity from Coronavirus but will help to protect vulnerable members of our community.

If your child misses the vaccination or is unwell on the day, you as parent/legal guardian, will be sent a letter from the Community Nurse explaining that you should now contact your GP.

EMOTIONAL HEALTH & WELL BEING

On our website we have made available for parents and carers a range of resources to promote the emotional health and well-being of all children. The resources come from a range of agencies and are a fantastic tool to engage with your children at home. We are aware that any potential for moving into a period of restrictions may be challenging for parents and some pupils. Have a look at these resources for ideas on how to keep positive and motivated. The resources are available under the Parents(resources) Section of our website.



Healthy Eating & Nut-free zone

Please help us to promote our healthy eating school and nut-free zone.

Any items containing nuts will be sent home unopened.

Breakfast Club

8-8.50am is available from Tuesday 1st September

£1.05 in a labelled envelope to be paid to Ray daily

No booking required

Pupil Arrangements WB Monday 16th NOVEMBER

Year1: Monday-Thursday 9am-2pm (collected at infant gate) Friday 9am-1:45pm

Year2: Monday-Thursday 9am-2pm (collected at infant gate) Friday 9am-1:45pm

Year 3: Monday-Wednesday 9am-2:45pm Thursday 9am-2pm & Friday 9am-1:45pm (Collected at main gate)

Year 4: Monday-Thursday 9am – 2:45pm (Collected at main gate) Friday 9am-1:45pm

Year 5: Monday-Thursday 8:45am – 3pm (Collected at main gate) Friday 8:45am-2pm

Year 6: Monday-Thursday 8:45am – 3pm (Collected at main gate) Friday 8:45am-2pm

Year 7: Monday-Thursday 8:45am – 3pm (Collected at main gate) Friday 8:45am-2pm

Please email Rachel at rhamilton130@c2kni.net or call the school on 0287034437

KEEPING OUR SCHOOL SAFE

Thank you all for supporting the safety measures we have in place at this continued difficult time. In particular, **I would like to thank you for keeping children at home when a member of your household has COVID-19 symptoms.**

It is still PHA advice to get a test if you have symptoms. *Therefore, children must not come to school if a member of your household is awaiting the outcome of a COVID test.* By working together, we can help to keep everyone in our community safe.

As time moves on and with the virus becoming more prevalent in our locality, I would ask parents to wear a face mask or covering while in the school grounds, especially if you need to speak with Rachel in the morning time.

It is important that we do not become complacent in remembering our 3 rules:

- **Wash our hands thoroughly**
- **Keep our social distance—this includes parents waiting for their children at the school gate**
- **Catch it...Bin it...Kill it**

Thank you all for your support and consideration and remember we are all part of the solution.

Have a lovely weekend and as always thanks for your continued support towards our school.

